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A health unto Their Majesties!

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THE SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

The Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the accession of His Majesty King George V, was celebrated in Victoria by one of the most colourful demonstrations held here for many years. The weather seemed to enter into the spirit of the occasion, and seldom has any city seen a finer morning. A crowd of over 15,000 turned out to witness the ceremony which was held on the huge lawn before the Parliament Buildings.

By 10.50, the driveway and centre lawn were filled with troops, Veterans and parading organizations, and promptly at eleven o'clock His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor and party arrived and took their place on a dais built out from the main doorway.

The ceremony opened with a Royal Salute of twenty-one guns, fired by the 58th Field Battery, C.A., and a feu-de-joie fired by detachments from the Royal Canadian Navy and P.P.C.L.I. Then the National Anthem was sung, following which the official speeches were made, broadcast to the crowd by a chain of loud-speakers. Addresses were made by the Lieutenant-Governor, His Honour J.W. Fordham Johnson; Premier T.D. Patullo; Rev. Robert Connell, M.L.A., Leader of the Opposition, and His Worship Mayor D. Leeming.

Led by a choir and massed bands of the 5th (B.C.) Coast Brigade, C.A., and the Canadian Scottish Regiment, the entire crowd sang "Land of Hope and Glory", after which Silver Jubilee Medals were presented by the Lieutenant-Governor to more than 160 persons. The ceremony at the Parliament Buildings concluded with a Royal Salute by all the troops present and three cheers for His Majesty.

The Lieutenant-Governor and party then moved to a reviewing stand in front of the Empress Hotel, where they watched a march-past of all the troops, Veterans, cadets, scouts and guides who had taken part in the ceremony, His Honour taking the salute.

An especially fine showing was made by the Veterans, several hundred of whom paraded for the occasion. Led by Lieut.-General Sir Percy Lake, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., they filled the East driveway of the Parliament Buildings, and in the march-past, preceded by their own band, they made a splendid showing. Not alone as a body of public opinion are they to be reckoned with, for they could still give a good account of themselves if called upon.

Esquimalt Station, P.P.C.L.I., turned out in full strength, providing a party of 2 officers and 50 other ranks for the feu-de-joie, Staff Officers and duty bugler for the parade. The detachment was in Full Dress and attracted much favourable

comment, both from official sources, from the veterans parading and from the public generally. It was our second appearance in Full Dress, and the Scarlet tunics and white helmets add greatly to the smart appearance of ceremonial parades. The party was commanded by Captain G.E. Walls, with Lieut. J.R.G. Sutherland as the Subaltern officer.

All units of the Victoria and Esquimalt garrison took part in the ceremony, including: the Royal Canadian Navy, Royal Canadian Artillery, 5th (B.C.) Coast Brigade, C.A., Royal Canadian Engineers, 17th Fortress Coy. C.E., 11th Fortress Signal Coy. C.C.S., Canadian Scottish Regiment, 11th Bn. C.M.G.C., Royal Canadian Army Service Corps, 11th Div. C.A.S.C., Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps.

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Winnipeg's celebration of the King's Jubilee on May 6th, was one of the most impressive demonstrations in the history of the city.

A stage was erected on the steps of the Legislative Buildings upon which were gathered together a group of Manitoba's distinguished leaders. On the grounds in front were massed the permanent troops and non-permanent forces, naval reserves, sea cadets, squads of veterans, boy-scouts and girl-guides, groups formed by patriotic societies and large representations of New Canadians. In a huge outer semi-circle were throngs of other citizens, massed on Broadway and stretching down the Mall as far as the Cenotaph. Captain N.A. Gianelli, L.S.H.(R.C.), who was Marshal of the day, estimated that there were present somewhere between 30,000 and 40,000 people gathered together to do honour to the King and Empire.

For spectacle the ceremonies were unsurpassed. It aroused the admiration of Lord Baden-Powell, who with Lady Baden-Powell, was a specially distinguished guest.

Promptly at eleven o'clock "C" Battery, R.C.H.A. fired the Royal Salute of twenty-one guns and the programme commenced. Led by a choir of high school students and accompanied by the Band of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, the vast throng joined in the singing of the National Anthem. Premier Bracken then called for "O God, Our Help In Ages Past", and the old hymn was sung with increasing volume as it rolled along the thousands on Broadway and the Mall.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor gave a short address in which he said "It is my duty and pleasure to declare our unswerving loyalty and devotion to our Sovereign Lord, the King." He continued by offering congratulations to His Majesty on this very happy occasion, and on behalf of all Canadians acknowledged with gratitude His Majesty's consideration and love for his people. He concluded with the fervant hope that God may bless His Majesty and keep him in health and happiness for many years.

The huge assembly then sang Elgar's famous "Land of Hope and Glory" accompanied by the Regimental Band.

The Premier spoke on behalf of the province, and Mayor Queen gave a short address on behalf of the city and surrounding municipalities.

Nine hundred school children, under the direction of Miss Kinley then sang the appropriate "Jerusalem", the inspired music written by Parry. Miss Kinley, taking the baton, also conducted the P.P.C.L.I. Band which accompanied the choir.

Then followed the presentation of Jubilee Medals by His Honour to a few of the many citizens who had earned that distinction. The singing of "O Canada" closed the ceremony in front of the Buildings. A rousing march-past followed soon after. His Honour, accompanied by Brigadier J.L. Gordon, D.F.C., D.O.C., M.D. No. 10, Col. H.J. Martin, Brigadier R.W. Patterson, Lord Baden-Powell, Premier Bracken and Lieut.-Col. Bingham, took the salute on the steps of the south entrance, as the following marched by:-

R.C.N.V.R., Lord Strathcona's Horse (R.C.), Fort Garry Horse, 5th Field Brigade C.A., 12th Field Coy. C.E., 10th Divisional Signals, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Winnipeg Rifles, Winnipeg Grenadiers, Winnipeg Light Infantry, 2nd Motor Machine Gun Brigade, 1st Machine Gun Squadron, 10th Bn. Canadian Machine Gun Corps, Canadian Army Service Corps, Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps, Royal Canadian Air Force, 12th Squadron Royal Canadian Air Force, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Army and Navy Veterans, Canadian Legion, cadets of the various naval and military units, the I.O.D.E., and the Ukrainian Youth Societies.

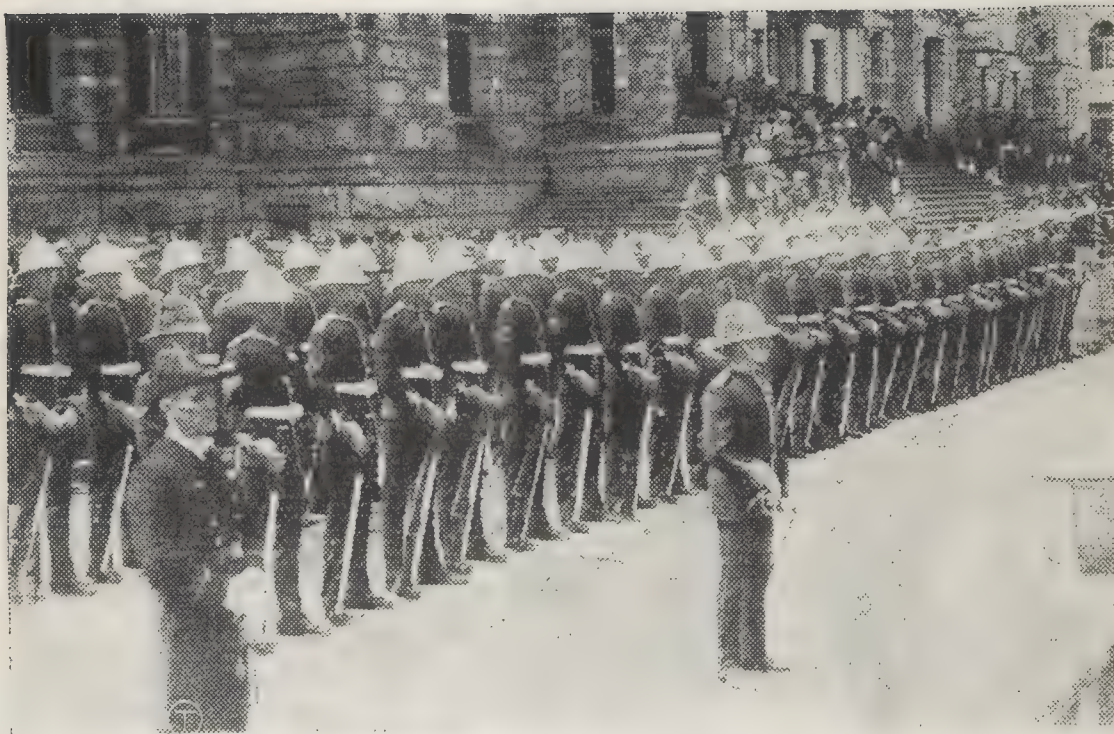
When His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor and Lord Baden-Powell left after the march-past they were loudly cheered.

During the final moments of the celebrations hundreds lingered to hear a broadcast over the loud-speakers. It was the King's voice, speaking from London, and his sincere and kindly words sweeping over the broad expanse of green grass, impressed everyone. Thus did the citizens of Winnipeg pay a striking tribute of loyalty and devotion to His Majesty the King and the Empire

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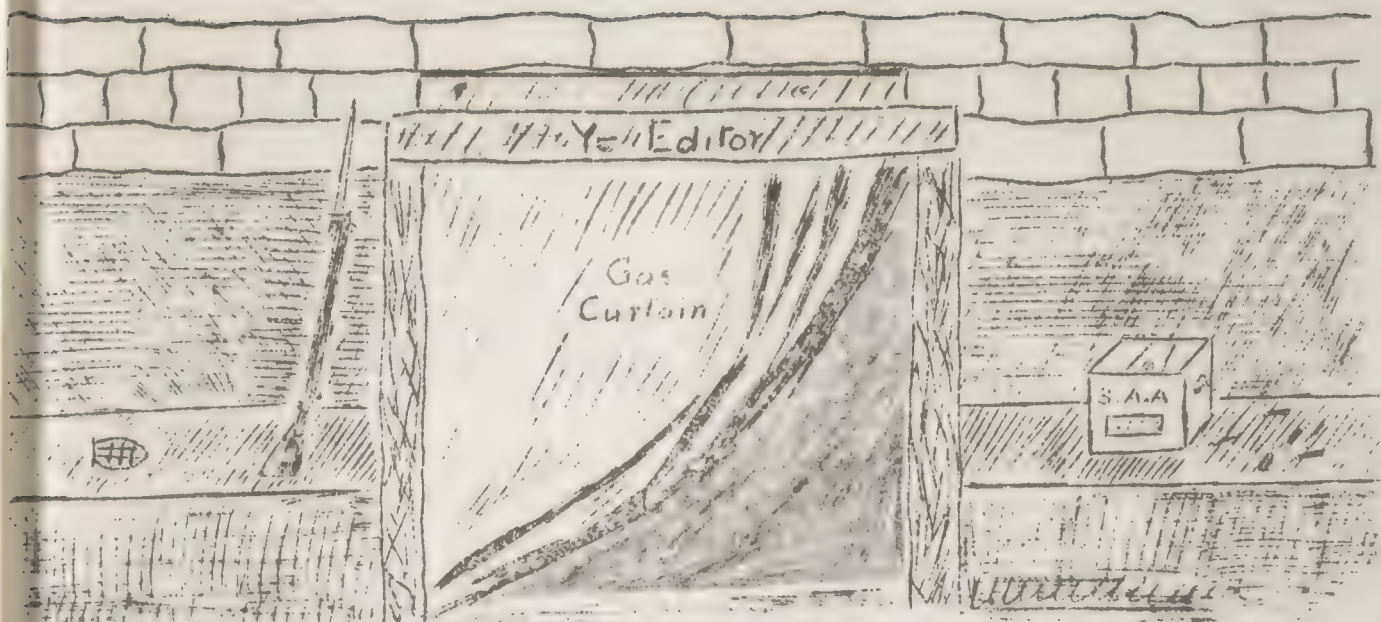
As in Winnipeg and Victoria, so in every city and town and hamlet in the Empire, loyal subjects gathered together to celebrate the occasion and pay homage to their King. And beyond the Empire, in most of the civilized lands of the earth, people listened to their radios as the rejoicing of the British people was broadcast around the world. The ceremonies in London, at the heart of the Empire, were heard by every nation, and all the

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Detachment of "B" Company, P.P.C.L.I., "standing easy" in front of the Parliament Buildings, Victoria, British Columbia, during the King's Silver Jubilee Celebrations, 6th May, 1935.

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FROM THE EDITOR'S DUGOUT

Like the school-teacher who, when he came late for school, changed the clock, we have our own ready-made alibi for the date of issue of this number. However, unlike the teacher, we are merely being honest with ourselves and our readers.

Heretofore, our official publication date has been the first day of May, August, November and February. In spite of every effort, however, we seem to have developed the habit of making our appearance about the middle of the above months. The reason is that the first of the month has been found to be an exceptionally busy time for the members of the "Patrician" staff who, despite all their devotion to duty, cannot do more than one thing at a time.

In view of this fact we have changed the official date of publication to the fifteenth day of May, August, November and February, respectively. We believe that, with this change, we can promise our readers that we will be out on time.

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It is with a great deal of pleasure that we offer our heartiest congratulations to the Machine Gun (Mechanized) Platoon on winning the Cambridge Challenge Bowl. They have just cause to be very proud of their win, for the competition is always keen for this coveted trophy.

Taken along with the winning of the Walker Cup by the Machine Gun Platoon of "B" Company, the record of the Regiment for last year is eminently satisfactory. Add our representation on this year's Bisley team, and we can swell out our chests with very pardonable pride.

Of course, our task now is to prove that pride doth NOT in this instance go before a fall, by retaining these two trophies within the Regiment for the coming year. It will be a fine test of our prowess and one to which we all look forward eagerly.

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In this issue, we make a departure by printing actual photographs. If ever an occasion demanded a little extra effort, it is the celebration of the Silver Jubilee of our gracious King's accession. We hope the innovation will prove popular with our readers and that we shall be able to produce more of these in the future.

One of the main deterrents to this policy is its heavy cost. Pictures will always add to the interest of any story, and we promise to print as many as we can afford. If our readers will only nominate themselves all as agents for the "Patrician" and secure one other subscriber, this doubling of our list would enable us to incorporate many new improvements in our publication.

We are indebted to "The Daily Colonist" and "The Victoria Daily Times" for the cuts of the two photographs reproduced in this issue.

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We hope you will enjoy the article on page 136, describing the work of the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals. This is a side of their work that is little appreciated outside of their own Corps, but which is of great value to the country at large.

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The time is approaching when we again "push off" to Camps and begin to think of classification and Camp Schools and Rifle Associations and things like that. We are looking forward to seeing a good many from Winnipeg at Sarcee this summer, and hope that you will bring whole bags full of news with you when you come west.

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This issue completes Volume Two of the "Patrician". We are anxious to make Volume Three even bigger and much better than any issue so far. Our efforts will be greatly helped if we receive suggestions and ideas from our readers as to their wants. The ideal magazine is the one which pleases its readers,

so let us know what sort of material you like and we will do our best to procure it for you.

Incidentally, I am sure that many of our readers must have some really good stories and news items that should be printed. If you have found out the horrible truth that you cannot write in a manner suitable for publication, let us have the idea and we will "wrap a story around it". It is the material, especially that pertaining to the Regiment, that we want most.

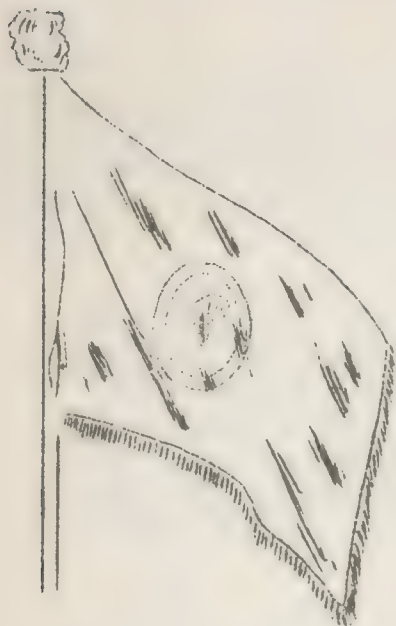
Not yet have we the support we want from the ex-Patricia's throughout the country. We are grateful for the stories sent in of their doings, but would like to see our paper in every one of their clubs and homes, and be able to keep a good liaison between those who have served in the Regiment. Any help that our readers can give toward this end, - news, stories, subscriptions of course, - will be greatly appreciated by the editors.

As with other journals of this nature the principal function of the "Patrician" is the maintenance of "Esprit de Corps" and happy relations between scattered detachments of the Regiment, and ex-members. It is with a view to increasing our influence in this connection that we make the above appeal. If you know of any ex-member who is not aware of the existence of this magazine, send us his name and address and we will be pleased to forward a complimentary copy.

Yours faithfully,

The Editors

It is with deep regret that we record the death of Captain H.L. Leverin, R.C.E., who was killed in a motor accident in Victoria on May 14th. Captain Leverin's death came as a great shock to all ranks in the Garrison. He was well-known to all of us and will be greatly missed on all sides. Our deepest sympathies are extended to Mrs. Leverin.



Regimental Notes.

ESQUIMALT STATION NOTES.

Well, Well! The Machine Gun Platoon have again proved that they can do it. We wondered, two years ago, whether their gesture in winning the Walker Cup was just a "flash in the pan", but when they turn around and win it a second time, it must be because they delivered the goods. We are glad to offer our congratulations on their fine showing, and note that they are not wasting time in mutual admiration but are training in deadly earnest to hold it again this year.

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Weapon training has spread throughout the company lately and the weekly training parades are largely given over to this form of activity. With Camp (and annual classification) looming up very close now, all ranks are doing their allotted bit of "holding, aiming and trigger-pressing", not to mention the more complicated evolutions known as TOET, in preparation for an attempt to wrest the Cambridge Challenge Bowl from its present holders. Incidentally next to ourselves, there's no one we'd like better to have it than its present owners.

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The signallers spent a very busy three weeks recently, filling the air with "iddy-umpties", at the conclusion of which Lieut. J.G.F. Morton, R.C.C.S., District Signal Officer, conducted the

annual classification. Although the results are not yet out the signallers have already planned several ways of profitably spending that extra ten cents per day. There were several new faces in the section this year, - always a good sign, - and the section is well up to strength. It includes:-

Sig. Sgt. Kemp, J.	A/Sgt. Falconer, J.S.
Cpl. Bundock, A.C.	Cpl. Quinn, R.
L/Cpl. Nicholson, E.	L/Cpl. Featherstone, N.
" Piper, K.V.	" Loveless, F.E.
Pte. Crouch, C.P.	" Cook, J.L.
" Hancock, K.G.	Pte. Hatch, D.I.
" Patterson, W.D.	" Larson, M.L.
A/Sgt. Garff, J.C.	" Shaw, J.H.

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"B" Company provided a Guard of Honour for His Excellency the Governor-General, on April 6th last, on the occasion of his farewell public reception at the Parliament Buildings. The Guard turned out in Full Dress under command of Captain G.E. Walls, and consisted of Lieut. J.L. Wiswell and 60 Other Ranks. The following letter was received by the District Officer Commanding from the Private Secretary to the Governor-General, in connection with this Guard:

"His Excellency the Governor-General hopes you will convey to the Officer Commanding the P.P.C.L.I., in Victoria his hearty congratulations on the Guard of Honour mounted outside the Parliament Buildings on Saturday evening. His Excellency was much impressed by the appearance and smartness of the Guard, and by the manner in which all on parade carried out their duties".

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At writing, two groups of serious students are to be seen daily in the vicinity of the Armourer's Shop, feverishly working with various types of lethal weapons. They are the candidates for the Canadian Small Arms School this summer and have vowed to "do or die". The preparatory courses are going smoothly, and we wish them luck at Sarcee, later on.

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The Royal School finished up in March. The class of '35 included L/Cpl. G. Linsley and Ptes. Codd, Crouch and Byatt. We are glad to be able to say that all passed well. Congratulations.

The School this year was a good one and, possibly for that reason, had almost unprecedented good weather. Scarcely a day's work was hampered by rain and the whole syllabus went through very smoothly. Incidentally, there was more than purely military talent at the School. At its conclusion, the students organized a

Smoking Concert that need take a back seat to none. Sgt. Esson, Seaforths of Canada, and Sgt. J.D. MacNaughton, 49th, headed a long and varied programme that gave real pleasure to the audience. Unfortunately, the Part II., course was not large enough to compete in this fashion.

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Owing to pressure of work on the School, the 17th of March was not a holiday for Esquimalt Station. In the evening of the 16th March, however all ranks gathered in the Men's Mess for a smoking concert in honour of the day. S.M.I. G.C. White presided in his own happy fashion and marshalled a programme that was distinguished for its new talent. Few of the artists had been heard at our concerts before and it was a revelation of what can be done by digging hard. Each of the platoons contributed numbers, and there were one or two guest artists who added to the enjoyment of all present.

As usual, the star performer was Captain M.F. Macintosh. This was Capt. Macintosh's first appearance among us for some time and all ranks were very glad to see his health improved. He sang some of his well-known songs for the company, and left only the complaint that we wanted more. Major W.G. Colquhoun proposed the Health of the Colonel-in-Chief, and read a telegram received that day from H.R.H. by Esquimalt Station.

Major-General E.C. Ashton, C.M.G. V.D. D.O.C., M.D. XI., honoured us with his company, and gave a short address at the opening of the programme.

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Lieutenant A.H. Fraser arrived from Winnipeg on 11th March, on transfer to Esquimalt Station. We extend him a very hearty welcome to "B" Company.

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Captain G.E. Walls has returned to duty with "B" Company after a prolonged absence on U.R. duties at District Headquarters and is actively engaged in weapon training at present. His former duties are now being performed by Captain R.L. Mitchell.

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Congratulations are offered to:-

S.M.I. J. Lennox, C.S.M.I. A.A. Bates and A/Sgt. J.S. Falconer on their recent promotions.

Q.M.S.I. W.J. Gibson, M.C., Q.M.S.I. G.A. Carr, M.M., and Cpls. Morris, M.M., and Pepin, on attaining their "Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct (Military)", also S.M.I. G.C. White, M.M., on being awarded the King's Silver Jubilee Medal.

During January, February and March, L/Cpl. Cook, J.L. conducted a school of Visual Telegraphy for Cadets at the Armouries, Victoria. Twenty-six of the thirty candidates qualified, - quite a good showing.

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A combined provisional School has commenced at the armouries Victoria, for candidates of Infantry, Machine Guns, C.A.S.C., and C.A.M.C. The instructors include: Lieut. A.H. Fraser, Lieut. J.R. G. Sutherland, S.M.I. G.C. White, M.M., C.S.M.I. A.A. Bates, A/Sgt. J.S. Falconer, Cpl. A.C. Bundock and L/Cpl. G. Linsley.

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L/Cpl. F. Hall has been journeying weekly to Salt Spring Island on instructional duties with the 2nd Bn., Canadian Scottish Regiment. He reports a keen and efficient class.

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Several members of Esquimalt Station are, at writing, on the Staff of the N.P.A.M., training Camp at Vernon, B.C., including Capt. L.M. Black, M.C., Lieut. P.B. Coristine, S.M.I. G.C. White, M.M., Q.M.S.I. W.H. Wood, A/Cpls. B.M. Donaldson and E.O. Roberts, and Ptes. W.E. Barnes, N.H. Clarke, and A.L.J. Snow.

Lieut. P.B. Coristine and S.M.I. G.C. White, M.M., and C.S.M.I. A.A. Bates will conduct a Camp School of Infantry (Part II) before returning home about the end of the month.

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The Machine Gun Platoon is back in its own Barrack Room again, and have celebrated the event by the joint purchase of a new radio, which daily competes with 5 and 6 platoon's ditto. We have it on reliable information that even the nearby Married Patch will answer for its efficiency (the Radio, - I mean.)

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Since last we went to press, Pte. H.V. Matthews has gone to civil life. There are rumours about that he is now a policeman in Vancouver. We offer this in warning to all from Esquimalt Station who may visit that city.

No. 21373, Pte. R.B. Mellis has joined the company. We wish him luck in his new career.

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Births:- To L/Cpl. and Mrs. G. Linsley, on 5th May, a daughter, Beverly Anne.

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WINNIPEG NEWS.

On Wednesday, 8th May, the Regiment was accorded a holiday in order to commemorate the anniversary of the battle of Frezenberg when Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry won immortal fame at the second battle of Ypres, 1915.

At Fort Osborne Barracks, during the morning, various games and competitions were held, and about noon members of the Regiment gathered together in the recreation room to listen to a short address by the Commanding Officer, Lieut.-Col. H.W. Niven, D.S.O., M.C.

Col. Niven, in recalling that never-to-be-forgotten day, spoke of the courage and determination exhibited by the Patricia's during that bloody battle. Bellewaerde Ridge is the grave of the "Originals" and their re-inforcements from the First Canadian Division, for only a bare 150 survived of the rank and file, and of the officers only 6 remained. The Commanding Officer also paid eloquent testimony to the fame and glory earned by the Regiment, and impressed all those who had recently joined to do all within their power to perpetuate the name of the famous regiment to which they belonged.

During the evening a supper dance was held by the members of the Regiment at the Marlborough Hotel. The ball-room was a scene of animation and colour as resplendent uniforms vied with the delicate shades of the evening gowns worn by the ladies.

"Enjoy yourselves" was the order of the evening, and judging by the happy smiles, radiant faces and jocular banter, the assembly like true soldiers obeyed the order to the letter. For those who did not dance cards were played in an ante-room. Supper was served at eleven o'clock, but so numerous were the guests that two sittings had to be held.

A distinguished guest was our old friend ex-R.S.M. T.J. Turnbull, who has recently returned from the Old Country. We were very glad to have the opportunity of welcoming him back to Winnipeg, and we hope he will remain long among us.

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"A" Company Letter.

Captain J.N. Edgar, M.C., commanded the Guard of Honour on the occasion of His Excellency the Governor-General's farewell visit to Winnipeg. The smartness of the Guard occasioned very favourable comment from all quarters, and the following letter was received by the District Officer Commanding from His Excellency's Private Secretary:-

"Will you convey to those concerned His Excellency the Governor-General's congratulations on the Guard of Honour mounted on the occasion of his visit to Winnipeg. His Excellency was most favourably impressed with the high standard of smartness and efficiency maintained by all on parade."

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We announce with regret the loss by transfer of the following officers:-

Capt. & Bt. Major J.W.H.G.H. Van den Berg, D.S.O., to M.D. No. 4,
Montreal, P.Q.
Lieut. A.H. Fraser, to "B" Company, Esquimalt, B.C.
Lieut. P.B. Coristine, to "B" Company, Esquimalt, B.C.

Our loss will be the gain of others, and the best wishes of all ranks go with them for their happiness and future success.

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Captain (Temp. Major) K.C. Burness, M.C., has returned to the Regiment on completion of a tour of duty at the War Office, London, and has been posted to "A" Company. We extend to him a hearty welcome after his long absence.

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Since the last issue of the "Patrician" the following recruits have been enlisted: Privates S. Mulvey, E.B. Finnie, S.H. Hunter, A. Grevstad, L.A. Thorsteinson and E.T.W. Wakefield. We are glad to extend a welcome to them and wish them success in their new careers.

Privates D. Owens, R. Milne, L.C. Moore and F.C. Russell have recently been discharged. Owens was one of the "Original" Patricia's and was awarded the Military Medal; Milne was a veteran of the South African War. Both these men have been awarded well-earned pensions. We wish them all happiness and success.

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C.Q.M.S. A.G. Meachem, M.M., M.S.M., has had quite a long spell in hospital but we are glad to say that he is now quite fit and is his usual self again. Pte. Rose has been in hospital since January and is now progressing very satisfactorily.

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We offer congratulations to the following:- C.S.M.I. J.L. Watson, D.C.M., M.M., on his recent promotion; Cpl.(ORC) Maxwell, Cpls. Miller, Bethell and Bennett on being confirmed in their rank. Also to Sgt. J. Reading on being awarded the Canadian

Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct. What was that nasty crack we heard some time ago about undetected crime?

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We started this with the intention of offering our congratulations to Pte. P. Glynn, M.M., on being placed on the Married Establishment, but, as we go to press, we learn with regret that he has left the Regiment on transfer to the Royal Canadian Army Veterinary Corps. Whilst not aware that Pte. Glynn was "horsey", we hope that he has found his metier and wish him every success.

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M.G. (Mechanized) Platoon Notes.

This quarter undoubtedly commences a new era. Apparently since reading orders of recent date we are no longer content with being "runners up" in so far as rifle shooting is concerned, and casting this motto aside we look to a new fight for achievement. Some may remark - Luck! However, those of us who know can state, emphatically, it is only by sheer dogged determination, skill displayed by all concerned, and the co-operation and encouragement of the Weapon Training Officer, that we proudly announce our capture of that coveted trophy, "THE CAMBRIDGE CHALLENGE BOWL".

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Lieut. J.G. Andrews has returned from England, safe and sound, bringing a "D" with him. We are very glad to have him back among us.

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Congratulations to Ptes. Hughes and Woolfson on their good work in the Boxing Tournaments, winning the Open Welter Weight and Novice Welter Weight respectively.

The Garrison and Regimental Boxing Competitions were of an exceptionally high standard. The various bouts showing plenty of "guts". Summarizing briefly, skill in boxing is only a secondary consideration in Novice Competitions, and it was with pleasure we observed so much pluck and sportsmanship displayed by the young boxers. A detailed description will be found elsewhere in this issue.

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We were sorry to lose two of our trained gunners recently, but the lure of that "Muck called Gold" predominated, and their exodus to the "Great Northland" shall, we hope, prove their greater success.

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BIRTH

On March 18th, 1935, to L/Cpl. and Mrs. D.G. Morton, a son - Allan David.

Congratulations, Dave, and may all your troubles be little ones!

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Sergeants' Mess Notes.

A very successful card party was held by the members of the Sergeants' Mess at the end of February. The guests included sergeants of the Royal School of Infantry and Machine Guns, and their friends. The prize winners were:

Ladies.

Mrs. Milne 1st.
Mrs. Gambles 2nd.
Mrs. Reading 3rd.

Gents.

Sgt. Holdsworth 10th M.G. Bn. 1st.
Sgt. Butler, P.P.C.L.I. 2nd.
Sgt. Hird, P.P.C.L.I. 3rd.

Consolation prize: Sgt. Baker, 10th M.G. Bn.

During March members of the Mess were guests of the Winnipeg Rifles (90th Rifles) at their mess at their "little place on Main Street". Joe Gloop, unfortunately, was away touring Europe, but nevertheless a really pleasant evening was enjoyed by all. According to reports "Jackie" the waiter, was kept pretty busy serving "two ups".

The members of the Mess were guests of the Winnipeg Grenadiers on a later evening. It was a really rousing party, and much enjoyed.

On April 24th Colonel R.O. Alexander, D.S.O., paid a farewell visit to the Mess when the members bade him "God Speed" and the best of luck on his relinquishing the appointment of General Staff Officer M.D. No. 10, and being appointed to command Military District No. 7, with Headquarters at Saint John, N.B.

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BAND NOTES.

During the last quarter the Band have been fairly busy fulfilling a varied number of engagements, going all the way from "Smokers" to banquets and concerts, including the accompanying of an Oratorio in All Saints' Church. Quite a little of the remainder of our available time has been spent preparing for examinations in Stretcher-Bearing, and we are pleased to record that the entire band passed these examinations successfully. Certificates, medallions, vouchers and labels have been awarded to various members by the St. John's Ambulance Association and the Military Stretcher-Bearing Board. Incidentally, Princess Patricia's is the first military band in Canada to be awarded the Military Stretcher-Bearing Certificate.

Members of the Band gave a farewell dinner in Picardy Hall recently in honour of Sgt. J. Knight, the drummer and tympanist, who is leaving the band and retiring to pension after a long career.

Sgt. Knight - or "Bock" as he is more popularly known - enlisted in the 2nd Devonshire Regt., at the age of 14; he served in the South African War, receiving the Queen's Medal. He was afterwards selected to the vacancy of tympanist in the famous Royal Artillery Band, and later saw active service in the Great War.

Sgt. Knight was on duty with his band at Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee; Queen Victoria's Funeral; King Edward's Coronation; King Edward's Funeral and the Coronation of King George. Unfortunately he was away on leave pending discharge at the celebration of King George's Silver Jubilee.

The dinner was also the occasion of the presentation of a wrist-watch, suitably inscribed, to Sgt. Knight. Captain (D. of M.) T.W. James, in making the presentation on behalf of the band, spoke of the high esteem and respect in which he is held, not only by his fellow musicians, but by all who know him. He congratulated him on his many years of service and hoped he would long be spared to enjoy the pension he has so honourably earned. Sgt. Knight intends settling down in England.

The Band loses another valuable member in the person of Bdsm. J. Forsyth who purchased his discharge in April in order to take up a much more remunerative position in Vancouver. Bdsm. Forsyth has had considerable musical experience and is a very capable cornettist.

It is with no small measure of regret that we say "adieu" to these two musicians. We fear that their vacancies will be hard to fill. However - "Good Luck, Bock!" - - "Good Luck, Jimmy!" - All the best!

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We congratulate the following members - and ex-member - of the Band on being awarded the Canadian Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct:-

Cpl. G. Hill.
Bdsm. W. Hampton.
Bdsm. H.A. Robertson.
Bdsm. H. Swift.
Pte. P. Loney.

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We would like to offer our meed of praise to Musician R. Manns who arranged and orchestrated the entire score and extra

numbers of the Light Opera "The Merry Widow", successfully produced by the Winnipeg Light Opera Company under the direction of Elliot Lorraine of New York. Musician Hanns' work contributed in considerable measure to the success of the production.

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Since the last publication of the "Patrician" Cpl. L.C. Morrison of the Band has had four more radio plays presented over the Regional Network, Canadian Radio Commission. He anticipates having further work produced in the future. For the information of interested members of the Regiment stationed at Esquimalt, these plays are broadcast every Wednesday night at 10.30 p.m. Winnipeg Time - 8.30 p.m. (or 2030 hrs) Pacific Time. (Advertising rates on request. Ed.)

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R.C.S. of I. & M.Gs. M.D. No. 10.

During the last quarter the Royal School in Winnipeg have had a busy time "Doing their Stuff" with the N.P.A.M. by running the usual winter School of Instruction, a full course of six weeks and a Part II course of two weeks. Both of these courses were very well attended and, generally speaking, those who turned up for instruction were a mighty fine lot, but beyond one or two such things as requiring rubber hammers, painting the Last Post and finding the keys to the Barrack Square (AND THEY STILL WORK), there was nothing very exciting to report.

The courses were conducted with Captain J.W. Edgar, M.C., as Chief Instructor and, being the first to be "tried out" under the New Syllabus of Training as issued by National Defence Headquarters, proved to be very interesting.

The School Staff for the courses were again ably led by S.M.I.(W.O.I) E. Scrutton (the man with a big smile and a hearty "good morning!"). He was assisted by Q.M.S.I. J.T. Harper, Q.M.S.I. A.C. Delaney, Sgt. J.C. Cave, Sgt. R. Dunn and Cpl. G.E. Miller, just one big happy family, whilst S.M.I. R. Tunnah (the Honourable Bob) was in charge of the administrative arrangements, and what with precis, begging and borrowing paper, etc., for running-off different requirements, he was kept pretty busy. In addition, Ptes. Gibson and Seal, who (if not busy) finding this, that, or the other thing, would be doing the "hunt" system with a typewriter. Incidentally the "hunt" system is good, the idea being to hit one key and hunt for the next. (Well, you didn't do too badly! Ed.)

Principally to ensure that the Staff did not have a chance to get too "rusty" Provisional Schools were conducted in Winnipeg, Weyburn, Estevan, North Battleford, Prince Albert, Medicine Hat, Regina, Canora, Yorkton and Brandon. Quite a Cook's Tour!

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THE RETORT COURTEOUS

by

John W. Lawrence.

In those hectic days of 1914, when recruiting offices sprang up overnight like mushrooms, and when the flower of our land rushed in droves and crowds and avalanches to don misfit uniforms and become heroes "a la mode", there came one bright morning to a certain recruiting station in Toronto the prize specimen of all those hordes, taken by and large.

He was built like a Guardsman, six-feet-two in his stocking feet, forty-eight around the chest, and with muscles like gristled iron. He was superb, and the sergeant in charge looked kindly on him, and made him at home.

In due course he was despatched to barracks, and more or less fitted with a uniform and a set of equipment. Then he began his training. He was an adept pupil. He learned with small effort, and seemed to the manner born, as it were.

His greatest triumph, though, came on that eventful day when he was taken out for his first efforts with the honoured Ross rifle on the 30-yards range. He towered over the rest of the squad like a colossus, and he stood there at ease like a veteran.

The sergeant-major looked at him appraisingly. He was the most likely thing he had seen for quite some time. When his turn came to fire, the above-mentioned functionary gave him his especial attention.

"Fuller," he said (that was the giant's name), "Fuller, have you ever handled a service rifle before?"

"No, Sir," said Fuller, standing like a statue at attention.

"Um..." the sergeant-major looked thoughtfully around. "Here, Sergeant Brooks, give this man some firing-point instruction."

The two lay down on the firing-point and the sergeant explained the intricacies of trigger-pressing and those things which sergeants do explain when giving firing-point instruction, and then No. 606789 put the butt of his rifle to his broad shoulder, glanced along the sights, and fired five rounds.

The sergeant-major went along examining the effort of the amateurs. Opposite No. 5 target he stopped and gazed long and earnestly. The "bull" was missing. In five shots Private Fuller had completely demolished that sacred centre ring.

"Fuller!" he thundered.

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P.P's.

THE SEVENTEENTH AT VANCOUVER.

Nearly seventy ex-Patricia's gathered for their Annual Reunion Dinner at the Canadian Legion Hall, Vancouver, B.C., on Saturday, 16th March. A very jolly evening was spent in singing old songs and renewing old memories. War-time experiences were recounted and war-time friends got together for a happy time.

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The following telegrams were exchanged:-

Chairman,
Patricia Club Dinner,
Vancouver, B.C.

GREETINGS FROM ESQUIMALT PATRICIA'S WHO ARE ALSO CELEBRATING IN A FITTING MANNER THE BIRTHDAY OF PRINCESS PATRICIA

(Signed) COLQUHOUN.

Major Gourlay Colquhoun,
Esquimalt, B.C.

YOUR GREETINGS HEARTILY RECIPROCATED SIXTY OF US HAVING A VERY GOOD TIME HOPE YOU ARE DOING THE SAME

(Signed) FRASER AND THE BOYS.

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THE ANNUAL DINNER AT OTTAWA.

On Saturday, 16th March, the 17th annual dinner of the Patricia Club of Ottawa was held in Standish Hall, with the largest attendance in recent years.

L.G. Keill, M.M. presided over a fine programme, in which well-known songs and reminiscences varied the more serious business of the evening.

Following the toast to the King, "Our Fallen Comrades" was proposed eloquently by Rev. W.R. Alp. Lights were dimmed as Bugler W.T. Osborne sounded the "Last Post" and "Reveille".

The toast to "The Empire" was proposed by H.M. Tennant, M.M. In replying Rev. Norman Rawson said: "The greatest hope of the world today is the British Empire and the spirit she would carry into the councils of the Nations".

Other toasts included: "The Colonel-in-Chief, H.R.H. The Princess Patricia", "Our Honorary President" (Lt-Col. A. Hamilton Gault, D.S.O., M.P.), "Our Guests".

Among those present were: A.C. Wiltshire, F. MacIsaac, P.H. Ferguson, M.M., Captain B. Wallan, L.G. Keill, M.M., J.J. Dunlop, W.D.T. Atkinson, Rev. Norman Watson, Rev. W.R. Alp, H.M. Tennant, M.M., G.C. Morrison, G.A. Smithson, L.R. McKenna, W.R. Morrison, W. Tattersall, J.G. Tapp, M.M., H.S. Boyce, W.A. Garvin, T.F. Learmonth, J.H. Young, and many others whose names, unfortunately, were not reported to us.

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THE SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

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world took a personal interest in the celebrations.

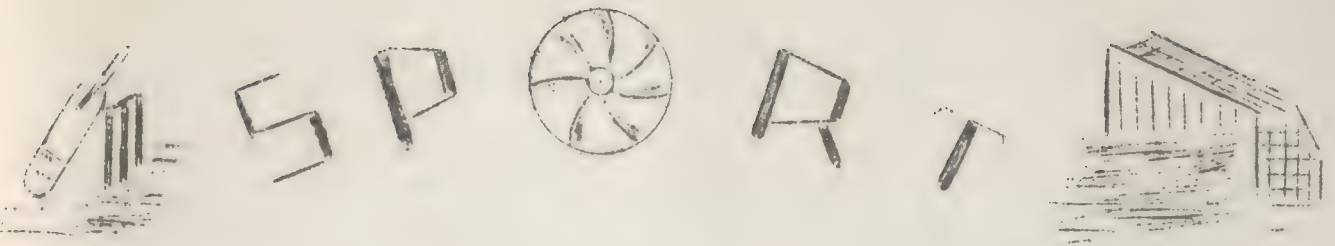
The past twenty-five years have seen two of the greatest upheavals in the history of mankind. They have tested the nations of the world severely, - and through war and depression and all the troubles that have beset the world, the British King has stood as the symbol of the power and solidity of the British Empire, - as the common bond which unites all the British peoples.

In every great moment of Empire, it is to Buckingham Palace that the crowds go; it is the "manor house of the Empire" as Westminster Abbey is the altar of the Empire, and joining with the crowd at the Palace gates, from every corner of His Majesty's dominions comes the cry: "God Save The King! Long May He Reign!"

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Often have the perils of party-line telephones been sung by greater men than the writer. Recently, however, we "Listened in" (quite accidentally) in time to hear the C.Q.M.S. asking Ordnance for some "knives, ripping, Tailor's Tools," and heard the snappy come back: "Have you any balls, wax, bees, tailor's?" We fled.

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ESQUIMALT STATION

RUGBY

The Garrison Rugby team finished their first season in the Senior League with a not discreditable showing, winning 4, losing 4, and drawing 2 games.

The team reached the finals of the Cowichan Trophy, being beaten by the 5th Brigade after victories over the Scottish and Nanaimo City.

The chief obstacles to progress during the season have been the lack of both players and practice. The lack of players, indeed became so acute that, towards the end of the season, games were lost directly because of it.

The following members of the Regiment were on the team:-

A/Cpl. H.E. Martin, Pte. A.L.J. Spow, Pte. S.J. Pocock, Pte. E.J. Polinsky, Pte. W. Teskey, Pte. W.D. Patterson, Pte. N.H. Clarke, Pte. T. Neil, Pte. M.J. Chaplin, L/Cpls. N. Featherstone, Loveless, F.E. and J.L. Cook.

Cpl. R. Quinn deserves the thanks of everyone for his able and conscientious coaching and management.

All supporters of the team will deeply regret the departure of Major J.E. Hunter, R.C.A.M.C., for England. He has been a constant and enthusiastic supporter of the team and has always been able to find time to help the team and the cause of rugby, both in the Garrison and in Rugby circles outside. We all wish him the best of luck.

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SOCCER

The Inter-Platoon Soccer League was played during the winter, but owing to exceptionally bad weather and the difficulty of getting a full turn-out, due to the large number of men employed on various duties outside the company, it was not possible to finish the series. Some very fine games were played, and some very promising "dark horses" unearthed for future Company and

Garrison teams. To date the series is still unfinished, with two games to play and No. 6 and M.Gs. tied for leadership.

On Wednesday, April 17th a challenge game was played with the Artillery. The Regiment losing by a score of 4-3.

The Garrison Soccer team has had a bad season. Out of 10 games played in the Pendray Cup, 6 were lost, 3 won, and 1 ended in a draw. The Regiment was represented on the team by L/Cpl. J.L. Cook, Pte. J.J. Edwards, and Pte. G. Glendinning. Pte. S. Pocock, and L/Cpl. N. Featherstone also played in several games.

In the Rennie and Taylor Shield the Garrison defeated the Maccabees after two hard games. The first game ended in a 3-3 draw. The second game in a win 4-2. On Tuesday May 16th they will play the H.B. Coy., in the semi-finals.

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BASEBALL

A number of Inter-Platoon games have been played, to the present date the honours going to the M.G. Platoon.

A Garrison team will be entered in "A" Division of the Lower Vancouver Island Softball Association, but play in this league has not yet started.

L/Cpl. N. Featherstone, A/Cpl. H.E. Martin, and Pte. W. Teskey will represent the Regiment on the team, with Pte. J.A. Sugden, Pte. G. Glendinning, L/Cpl. F.E. Loveless as spares.

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VOLLEYBALL

A volley ball net has been put up on the playing field and the usual summer-time interest is being shown. This game is one of the main-stays of amusement at camp and an Inter-Platoon League will be started when we move out there.

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P.T. and GYMNASTICS.

The period from 0800 to 0845 hrs. each morning is used for P.T. and a certain amount of horse work. Considerable progress has already been made and we hope in the near future to rival the exhibition put on by "A" Coy., in September.

The Garrison Tug-of-War team has been training for some time under the supervision of Mr. Sutherland and the coaching of .

A/Sgt. J.S. Falconer. It looks as if they may repeat their performance of last year and carry off the championship in the Victoria Field Sports on the 24th May.

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SPORT AT WINNIPEG. *****

REGIMENTAL BOXING TOURNAMENT.

The Regimental Boxing Championships (Open & Novice) were held in the Auditorium, Fort Osborne Barracks on April 17th and 18th, 1935.

A very keen interest has been taken by all ranks in the boxing this year, The result was that the entry list was fairly heavy.

In the open weights there were many familiar faces, some defending titles won last year, while others were still striving for the honour of first place.

In the Novice weights there were many new faces, mostly members of the Unit who have joined us since the boxing last year. All put up a creditable showing and no doubt more will be heard from them next year.

Everyone who entered the boxing was given a little extra training other than the daily P.T., under the able guidance of Lieut. Paquet and L/Cpl. Mack. Good progress was made and all were feeling fit and confident when the time came for them to step in the ring.

Results were as follows:-

Open Heavyweight	L/Cpl. Mack.
" Middleweight	Pte. Kelly.
" Welterweight	Pte. Hughes.
" Lightweight	Pte. Toner.
" Light Heavyweight	L/Cpl. Wilkes.
Novice Heavyweight	Pte. Woolfson.
" Middleweight	Pte. Rushforth.
" Welterweight	Pte. Hunter, S.
" Lightweight	Pte. Scrutton, P.
" Featherweight	Pte. McNulty.
" Bantamweight	Pte. Kidd.

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G O L F. Officers versus Sergeants.

As a prelude to the Frezenburg Regimental anniversary another branch of sporting endeavour was inaugurated as a competition between the Officers and Sergeants of the Regiment stationed in

Winnipeg. Healthy competition along various lines at annual events have always in the past been a source of much pleasure and enjoyment between representatives of the two messes, Billiards, Cribbage and Softball being among the annual competitions.

Recently a golf game was added to the list and after observing with interest the ability of some and the inability of others taking part, it is easy to conceive the "ancient and honourable game" being added to the list of annual events for the future.

On Tuesday, 7th May, foursomes were played on the new Tuxedo course, and after much deciphering and reintroducing the "think of a number, add ten, and taking away the number you first thought of" system, the following results were discovered, after a very enjoyable game:

Officers.

Lt.Col. H.W. Niven, DSO. MC.	88
Capt. J.N. Edgar, M.C.	104
Capt. A.W. Hunt, M.M.	105
Lieut. H.F. Cotton	95
Lieut. H.E. Robertson	134
Lieut. W.M. Foster	127
	<u>653</u>

Sergeants.

R.S.M. K.E. McCullouch	93
Sgt. G.R. DeRochie	118
Sgt. J. Reading	110
Sgt. J.C. Cave	96
Sgt. F. Bliss	119
Sgt. R. Dunn	114
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GARRISON BOXING TOURNAMENT

The Garrison Boxing Championships were held on April 24th. There were five open and seven Novice weights to be decided on the program on the final night. The Regiment was represented in ten of these finals and proved successful in six.

There was some very keen competition among various Units of the Garrison and the Auditorium was packed each night. All the bouts with the exception of three went the limit. The Boxers certainly kept the audience excited. In several bouts it was touch and go but to the majority's satisfaction the referee and judges chose the right man to take care of the Garrison crown for another year.

The fight of the evening was between Pte. Toner and Lieut. Newell, R.C.H.A. These two met last year when the decision went to Lt. Newell. There was hard going all through the three rounds: neither let up for many seconds and punches, heavy and numerous, were handed out. This time Pte. Toner brought home the honours.

L/Cpl. Wilkes was awarded the "best losers" prize. Although he was fighting a losing fight, he stuck with his man to the last ditch. The applause was even greater than that received by any winner.

Results were as follows:-

Novice	Bantamweight	Tptr. Seed, L.S.H. (R.C.)
"	Featherweight	Pte. McNulty, PPCLI.
"	Lightweight	Gnr. Gill, N.M. R.C.H.A.
Open	Lightweight	Pte. Toner, PPCLI.
Novice	Welterweight	Tpr. Whaley, LSH. (R.C.)
Open	Welterweight	Pte. Hughes, PPCLI.
Novice	Middleweight	Gnr. Penniekc, RCHA.
Open	Middleweight	Pte. Kelly, PPCLI.
Novice	Light Heavyweight	Gnr. Duggan, F.A. RCHA.
Open	Light Heavyweight	Gnr. Mansfield, RCHA.
Novice	Heavyweight	Pte. Woolfson, PPCLI.
Open	Heavyweight	L/Cpl. Mack, PPCLI.

At the conclusion of the boxing the prizes were presented by Brigadier J.L. Gordon, D.F.C., D.O.C. M.D. No. 10.

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ODE TO CAPTAIN KIDD

A proud youngster was I when I joined up wiv de "Pats",
Just full wiv hintentions to stay aht of scraps,
But since I've bin 'ere, I've dranked nothin' but beer;
"Gor Blimey! Lor' luv us!" I'm cheerful but flat.

I once thought Detention was something quite swell,
So, says I, "Sergeant, you go strite to 'Ell!"
"So," 'E says "My laddie, I'm running you in,"
To me, who was bleary and drunker'en Sin.

I was expecting a lugsurious cell,
Wiv comforts and music to make me feel swell,
And wot did I get but a joint wiv a smell,
Wiv scrubbin' and moppin', SEVEN days of pure 'Ell.

"Gor Blimey! Lor' luv us!" now wot did I do?
No money, no 'oney, its always plain stew,
And if I 'ad known wot DETENTION could be,
I'se tellin' yu Boys, I'd 'ave taken Cee-Bee.

(Shakefellow-Longspeare)

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AROUND THE GARRISON

His Excellency, The Governor-General, was the guest of the Garrison Officers at dinner on 14th April, during his farewell visit to the west coast. On this occasion the officers were also host to His Honour J.W. Fordham Johnson, Lieutenant-Governor.

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Major W.E.R.M. Stone, R.C.A., has joined the 5th Heavy Battery, R.C.A., on transfer from Winnipeg. We extend him a belated welcome to Work Point, and hope he will enjoy his stay here.

Another new arrival in our midst is Major M.W. Turner, R.C.A.P.C., our new District Accountant, also on transfer from Winnipeg. We hope his stay with us will be a pleasant one.

We are indeed sorry to lose Mr. J.E.W. Houghton, our former District Accountant, who has been transferred to Ottawa. He had been here about fifteen years and was well-known to all of us. He will be greatly missed throughout the garrison.

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Lieut.-Col. E.W. Pope, C.M.G., The R.C.R., lately A.A. & Q.M.G., M.D. No. 11, has retired to pension, and has made his home in Victoria. We hope Col. Pope will continue to be a frequent visitor to Work Point.

Captain J.A. Cattroll, R.C.A.P.C., retired to pension due to ill health on 6th April. We trust that in his new-found leisure his health will improve rapidly.

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We offer congratulations to the following members of the Garrison on their recent promotion:-

Lieut.-Col. J.N. Gibson, R.C.O.C.
 Major R.O.G. Morton, R.C.A., G.S.O. M.D. No. 11.
 Major W.E.R.M. Stone, R.C.A.
 S.M.I.(W.O.I) E.P. Wyllie, R.C.E.
 B.S.M.(W.O.II) G. Pocock, R.C.A.
 B.Q.M.S. W. Walker, R.C.A.
 Sgt. W. Wharton, R.C.A.
 A/Sgt. W. Cameron, R.C.A.
 Bdr. R. Croft, R.C.A.
 L/Cpl. A.L. Evans, R.C.O.C.

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The Royal Canadian Artillery have lost two old members in 1st Cl. Mr. Gnr. (W.O.I) H. Collings and B.S.M. (W.O.II) T. Bradley. Both of these Warrant Officers have been in Esquimalt Garrison for many years and are well-known to all of us. We are glad that both of them have decided to make their homes at the Coast, and trust that they will come often to see us.

A Smoking Concert was held in the Garrison Sergeants' Mess on 26th April in honour of Mr. Gnr. Collings and B.S.M. Bradley. A good crowd was on hand, and during the course of an excellent programme, presentations were made to the two guests of honour, whose departure from the Service will be keenly felt by all their comrades.

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Sgt. R. White, R.C.A.S.C., has left us for Regina, Sask., where we hope he has not frozen up solid waiting for the fine Spring weather.

His place among us has been taken by Sgt. S. Watts, R.C.A.S.C., who arrived from Regina early in April. We extend him a hearty welcome to Work Point, and hope he will enjoy his tour of duty here.

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A course in Tactics for Junior Officers was conducted by Major W.G. Colquhoun, M.C., P.P.C.L.I., during the first two weeks in April. The students included Lieuts. J.G.F. Morton, R.C. Sigs., D.K. Connolly, R.C.A.S.C., J.R.G. Sutherland, P.B. Coristine and J.L. Wiswell, P.P.C.L.I., and R.S. Dyer, R.C.A.

The greater portion of the time was spent "in the field" and loud and long were the arguments! The Saanich Peninsula was attacked, defended, raided and guarded, in rapid succession, and the candidates are eagerly waiting to try out their knowledge at Sarcee this summer.

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The German Training Cruiser, "Karlsruhe", paid a visit to Vancouver during March. While the "Karlsruhe" did not call at Victoria, she "hove to" off the entrance to the harbour on her way to Vancouver, and fired a salute of twenty-one guns, which was replied to by the 5th Heavy Battery, R.C.A., from Work Point. It was a disappointment to many not to see at close range the first German warship to enter British Columbia waters for more than twenty years, but their schedule did not permit of a call at this port.

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A combined camp for cavalry and infantry, N.P.A.M., is now in progress at Vernon, B.C., with the B.C. Hussars, B.C. Dragoons and R.M. Rangers. Nine officers and eighteen other ranks of the garrison are on the staff of this camp.

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THE ROYAL CANADIAN SIGNALS AT WORK.

The majority of the readers of this publication are familiar with the operation of the R.C. Signals insofar as military duties are concerned, and it was thought that it might be of interest to give a short synopsis of the wireless stations operated by the R.C.S. other than those of a purely military nature.

Of these, the largest system of stations is that known as "The North West Territories and Yukon Radio-Telegraph System". This system consists of a chain of stations, with Edmonton, Alta. as its southern terminal and extending northwards to Herschell Island, in the Arctic Ocean and westward to the Yukon Territory.

Stations, mainly, are located at the chief trading posts and mining centres along the Athabaska river-Athabaska and Great Slave lakes - McKenzie river and Great Bear Lake, and three stations in the Yukon. Many of these stations are located at points which have only sprung into being in the past year or two by reason of mining discoveries etc., and not shown on the average map and in order that you may better visualise the vast territory covered by this chain of stations, the following list, together with the latitude and longitude is given for your information.

Place	Latitude	Longitude
Aklavik. N.W.T.	68° 20' North	135° 00' West
Camsell River N.W.T.	66° 05' North	117° 00' West
Cameron Bay N.W.T.	66° 25' North	117° 30' West
Chipewyan Alta.	58° 40' North	111° 00' West
Dawson Y.T.	64° 00' North	141° 30' West
Edmonton Alta.		
Herschell Island Y.T.	Approximately 140 miles north of Aklavik and 40 miles from Alaska-Yukon boundary.	
Mayo Y.T.	63° 50' North	135° 00' West
McMurray, Alta.	56° 40' North	111° 30' West
Norman N.W.T.	64° 57' North	125° 40' West
Fort Rae N.W.T.	Due west of Simpson on east of the north arm of Great Slave lake.	
Resolution N.W.T.	61° 10' North	113° 50' West
Simpson N.W.T.	61° 55' North	121° 30' West
Fort Smith N.W.T.	60° 00' North	112° 00' West
Whitehorse Y.T.	Northern terminus of the White Pass Railway	

All stations are self contained and generate all power necessary for the operation of the transmitters and the lighting of stations and are, in majority of cases, equipped for transmission and reception on both long and short waves.

The staffs at stations average three men, one of whom is trained as a mechanic for repair and maintenance work, which is a vital factor as at the majority of the stations, transportation

is confined to two or three river boats per year, in July and August.

The system is operated as a commercial system. That is, all stations are open to accept business from the public at regular rates, as laid down from time to time. All classes of domestic messages, as well as cables, etc., are handled. The system has its own tariff book and this, in conjunction with C.P.R., C.N.R. Western Union and Postal Telegraphs tariff books, allow of tolls for any class of message being computed to any part of the world. Commercial procedure in operating, receipt and delivery of messages and accounting is used solely. The terminal at Edmonton is the transfer point for all traffic to and from CP and CN telegraph lines, and is connected to these two systems by sounder and teletype circuits. Edmonton is also the accounting office for the system - this being a separate department from the operating staff.

In addition to the transfer point at Edmonton there are also transfer points at Dawson, Norman and Aklavik. Dawson is the transferpoint for the Government telegraph service in the Yukon and B.C., which is operated by the Dept. of Public Works, and also for points in Alaska, traffic for which is transmitted by radio telegraph to stations of the U.S. Signal Corps, who operate the stations in Alaska. Norman and Aklavik are transfer points for boats operating in the Arctic and also for stations operated by the Dept. of Marine and those operated by private mining companies.

Personnel on all R.C.C. Sig. stations are also trained as meteorologists by the Meteorological Dept., and they are the official observers. It might be of interest to note here that weather reports are compiled throughout Canada at the same hour - namely 0700 hrs. and 1900 hrs E.S.T. daily. This means that at some of the stations an operator must get up at 0230 hrs local time. Take our word that compiling this return in the dead of winter, with the thermometer ranging from zero to 70 below zero is no fun. These weather reports are transmitted twice daily to Toronto and Victoria, and the reports from Aklavik and Dawson have an important bearing in the forecast for the Pacific coast.

Weather reports are also furnished on request, at a nominal charge, from any station to any parties operating aircraft in the territories. All arrivals and departures of aircraft being reported to the stations concerned. This has been an important factor in the development of the north, and its value in dollars and cents cannot be computed.

The system also handles, free of charge, traffic for various Departments of the Government between Ottawa and points in the North. This traffic is not handed over to the two commercial companies at Edmonton, but is handled from Edmonton station by radio over what is known as the Inter-Provincial Radio System operated by the Corps with stations at Edmonton, Winnipeg, Camp Borden and Ottawa.

(To be continued)

VANCOUVER LETTER

"The finest parade ever held in Vancouver!" Such was the unanimous verdict of those who witnessed and took part in the Jubilee Parade at Stanley Park on Monday, May 6th.

For a distance of two miles all units of the Garrison marched through the thronged streets of the city, to the accompaniment of a continual roar of cheering. Within the last few weeks this city has had parades of a very different type to the one now dealt with; parades that aroused in the minds of some of the unduly nervous a feeling of wonderment as to whether the city was going "Bolshy" altogether. This parade, which came as a timely tonic, should have completely dispelled all such neurotic misgivings. The greetings from the 75,000 spectators could not have been more cordial.

The order of march was as follows:-

- 23rd Infantry Brigade Headquarters.
- R.C.N.V.R.
- The British Columbia Hussars.
- 15th Field Brigade, C.A.
- 6th Field Company, C.E.
- 11th Divisional Signals.
- The British Columbia Regiment (D.C.O.R.).
- 1st Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders of Canada.
- 1st Bn. The Irish Fusiliers of Canada.
- 1st Bn. The Vancouver Regiment.
- 11th Machine Gun Bn. C.M.G.C.
- 11th Div. C.A.S.C.
- No. 18 Field Ambulance, C.A.M.C.
- No. 4 (F.B.) Sqn. R.C.A.F.
- No. 11 (A.C.) Sqn. R.C.A.F.(N.P.)
- "E" Division, Royal Canadian Mounted Police.
- B.C. Provincial Police.
- Corps of Commissionaires.
- Vancouver City Police.

Arrived at Stanley Park, the troops formed a three-sided square, fitting in like the proverbial hand in glove. When the troops were in position, Wing-Commander D.R. MacLaren, D.S.O., M.C., D.F.C., - who shot down forty-eight enemy planes during the war, - flew over the parade ground and dropped upon the troops a Union Jack, suspended from a parachute.

The scene on the bright green oval was quite colourful. Blue of the R.C.N.V.R. and the City Police, sky-blue of the R.C.A.F., brilliant red of the R.C.M.P., and the more sombre khaki of the other units, all amidst ideal surroundings, proved a pleasing panorama. Up in the grandstand and around the oval were at least twenty thousand spectators, with many times that number on the outside striving to get in.

The ceremony was opened with a prayer, after which His Worship the Mayor, G.G. McGeer, K.C., M.L.A., making use of the loud-speaker, gave an address.

The National Anthem was sung, head-dresses removed and three cheers given for His Majesty. Jubilee Medals were then presented: by the Mayor to 151 citizens, and by Colonel A.D. Wilson, D.S.O., V.D., A.D.C., Commanding 23rd Infantry Brigade, to 42 members of the Forces.

Units then, in succession, moved to the passing line and marched past the Mayor. Each unit went by in very creditable manner and received from the spectators a cordial appreciation.

On completion the units moved to a point outside the oval. The return march to the city was then commenced, Colonel Wilson, near the entrance to the park, taking the salute as the troops marched homeward.

A memorable parade, carried out without a hitch.

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J U B I L E E S I D E - L I G H T S

When the Mayor blew his nose alongside the inexorable loud-speaker, it sounded like the trumpeting of an elephant and the grass roots trembled. Did the crowd get a kick out of THAT!

"Hello, Charlie, old kid!" Thus the Mayor to an old friend to whom he was handing the Jubilee Medal. And again the crowd let go a roar.

The day was warm and several women fainted. One lay on the grass and off went a member of the St. John's Ambulance to get a glass of water. A few moments later he re-appeared with glass brimming. At that moment, an officer of the R.C.N. V.R., bobbed up. It was quite apparent that he had not seen the prone woman, but he had spotted the glass of water. He eagerly siezed it, sent it where it would do him the most good, wiped his lips and heartily thanked his astonished benefactor. The roar of laughter that went up must have wobbled the siesmograph over in Victoria.

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Notification has just been received that there will be no Annual Camp this year. Now many are hoping that a camp will be held in North Vancouver, each unit in turn going over for the week-end, as was done in 1927. The boys do like their helping of canvas.

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SHOOTING NOTES

SHOOTING AT ESQUIMALT

During the months of January, February, and March, Esquimalt Station entered a team in the monthly 22" S.M.L.E. Rifle Competition sponsored by Dominion Marksmen. The team, designated as "B" Company P.P.C.L.I., Team, has been successful in winning the first place in British Columbia, in the aggregate of these matches, with a total score of 1390 out of a possible 1500. L/Cpl. Nicholson, E., has been the outstanding man throughout these shoots, making top place in the team. Lieut. J.R.G. Sutherland came next with only one point over Q.M.S.I. W.H. Wood and Pte. Glendinning G., who tied for third place, and Pte. Robins, C.L.A., followed, despite the fact that he was unfortunately absent from one of the matches. Cpl. Bundock, A.C., and Ptes. Chaplin, M.J., and Snow, A.L.J., fired in one or more of the shoots with good results.

We wish to congratulate "A" Company on winning top place in the Manitoba section of this competition with the excellent score of 1442 points out of 1500, after a hard tussle with "D" Division R.C.M.P.

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The first practice shoot of the Victoria and District Military Rifle Association for the 1935 season was held at Heals Range on May 4th. S.M. W.H. Ruffell, R.C.E., headed the list with a score of 101 out of 105 under good weather conditions.

The R.C.A.S.C., has arranged to provide transport to and from the range each Wednesday and Saturday, and it is hoped that this will prove to be an incentive toward an increased turn out of pot hunters during the coming summer.

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On Friday, May 10th, the annual meeting of the Garrison Rifle Association was held, for the review of the last years' business and the election of Officers.

The District Officer Commanding, M.D. XI was, by unanimous vote, asked to become the Honorary President for the ensuing year, and the following Executive was elected for 1935.

President	Colonel H.C. Greer, R.C.A.S.C.
Secretary-treasurer,	Lieut. J.G.F. Morton, R.C.C.S.
Captain	Q.M.S.I. W.H. Wood, P.P.C.L.I.

Executive.

L/Cpl. E. Nicholson, P.P.C.L.I.
S/Sgt. Hooper, R.C.A.S.C.
Gnr. Rasmusson, R.C.A.
Q.M.S. McKay, R.C.O.C.
S.M. W.H. Ruffell, R.C.E.

Reports presented for the past year recorded a very successful season's work and showed the association to be in good shape, financially and otherwise.

It was decided to again affiliate with the Victoria and District Military Rifle Association, and to carry on this year the same arrangements for shooting that worked so well last season. There will again be open for competition to tyros, four paid-up entries to the B.C.R.A., selection to be made by the committee. This has been a great attraction in the past and has provided a stimulus to shooting among the younger members. The competition this year should be keen and close.

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SHOOTING AT WINNIPEG

The D.C.R.A., 22" S.M.L.I., Competition came to a close at the end of March. One team was entered as "A" Company, and obtained 1st place in the Province with a total score of 1443 Pts. an average of 481 out of possible 500 for each match,-- Spoons 1st, class being awarded to Captain Hunt, Ptes. McKay and Gibson, W.

Captain Hunt leaves for England with the Bisley Team, in June; we wish him all the best of luck and a good trip. All Ranks of the Unit will be following his efforts with interest and pulling for his success individually and the Regiment collectively.

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THE RETORT COURTEOUS

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"Yes, Sir." Fuller snapped to attention and waited.

"Fuller - er -" the S.M. came and stood as nearly over him as any diminutive S.M. may stand "over" a six-footer, "Fuller - er, you said you had never handled a Ross before?"

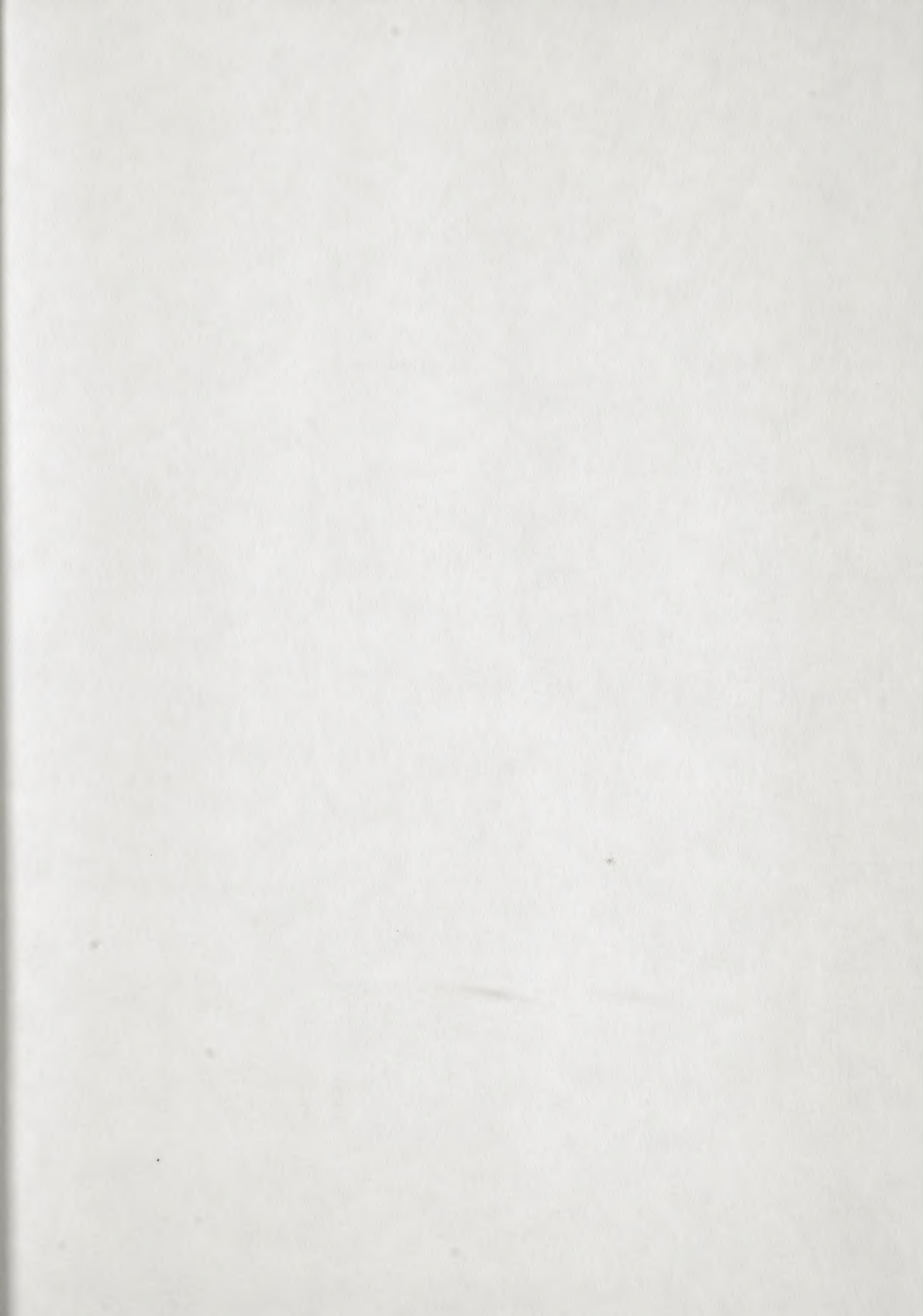
"No, Sir."

"Never fired with one?"

"No, Sir."

"Well, my lad, you just keep on the way you're going, and you'll be a d--- fine shot one of these days!"

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